Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Suppose he is assaulted. May I know whether any action is to be taken against the offender?

President: The whole question is hypothetical.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai (*Commerce and Industries, South*): With reference to the answer that there is no rule that the officers should wear uniform at all times when on duty, may I know whether there is any rule that officers should wear uniform at particular times?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: The peons and petty officers are generally expected to wear uniform. There are occasions when they are not expected to do so. The other officers including the Commissioner wear uniform whenever there is necessity for the purpose of identification.

Vehicular Traffic through the crowded streets inside the Fort.

78 ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that heavy traffic conveying commodities to and from Chalai bazaar is being carried on through the crowded and narrow streets inside the Fort;

(*b*) whether this fact has been brought to the notice of the Government by responsible persons residing in the locality; and

(*c*) if so, what action the Government have taken in the matter?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Heavy traffic cannot be prevented from passing through the Fort Streets.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad: May I know whether Government is aware of the fact that till a few years back heavy traffic was not allowed to pass there?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: No.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad: May I know whether Government is aware that accidents are likely to occur if heavy traffic is allowed to pass there?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: Accidents are common to all roads. It is not confined to any special locality.

Medical aid in the Ambalapuzha taluk.

79. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many hospitals and dispensaries there are in the Ampalapuzha taluk;

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